

THE WHITE HOUSE
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January 2, 1963

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MEMORANDUM TO MR. LUNDAHL

SUBJECT: Photo Interpretation Award

The copy of the memorandum which you forwarded to me on the subject last week is returned herewith.

At the Board meeting last week I discussed the matter with Dr. Killian who has the original of the November 9 memorandum with other official papers in Cambridge.

I related to Dr. Killian your word of last week that this matter has been overtaken by events and that the objective you sought to achieve through the memorandum is being accomplished in another manner. Dr. Killian was pleased to hear this and as a consequence thereof no action will be taken by him on your November 9 communication.


J. Patrick Coyne

Attachment:

As stated above

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9 November 1962

MEMORANDUM FOR: Dr. James R. Killian

SUBJECT: Photo Interpretation Award

1. The American Society of Photogrammetry, a professional organization with some 5000 members, meets annually in March in Washington, D. C., and in addition to its technical sessions it offers honorary awards in several related fields.

2. This year in March the ASP announced a new award in the field of photo interpretation donated by the FMA (Fenn-McPherson & Arsenault) Co. of California. The chairman of this Awards Committee is Mr. Charles G. Coleman, Assistant Chief Engineer of the U.S. Navy Photo Interpretation Center, Suitland, Md.

3. Mr. Coleman, who is fully aware of the accomplishments of our photo interpreters in the past few weeks, has talked with me on ways to honor, without naming, our photo interpreters.

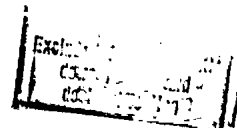
4. It is now suggested that the Award read as follows:

"1962 Cuban-Crisis Photo Interpreters"

The question remaining is where should the award be located. It appears that you, as Chairman of the President's Board of Consultants on Foreign Intelligence, are the senior scientist at that position on the organizational tree above the point where the Defense (DIA) and CIA intelligence streams join the main stem of intelligence reporting to the President.

5. The question then is whether or not you would be willing or able to accept this trophy award from the American Society of Photogrammetry in the name of the

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U.S. Government/military photo interpreters who have served the nation so well in this Cuban crisis. If it were possible for you to do this and the Awards Committee actually followed this course of action, we would be most honored and happy to take the trophy off your hands and post it in a prominent but secured place at the National Photo Interpretation Center where all who shared in its earning could readily see it.

6. Thank you very much for your patient understanding and consideration in this matter. Finally, all hands here at the Center join me in wishing you a hasty and complete recovery.

ARTHUR C. LUNDAHL
Director, NPIC

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